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From: Latimer, Becky
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 2:09 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Duke Energy Proposed Rate Increase

Dear Mr. Christopher Dux,

This is to acknowledge receipt of your Letter of Protest/Comments to the Public Service Commission of South Carolina. Your Letter of Protest/Comments will be placed in the Protestant File of the Dockets listed below and on the Commission's Website at www.psc.sc.gov.

- Docket No. 2018-318-E - Application of Duke Energy Progress, LLC for Adjustments in Electric Rate Schedules and Tariffs and Request for an Accounting Order
- Docket No. 2018-319-E - Application of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC for Adjustments in Electric Rate Schedules and Tariffs and Request for an Accounting Order

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Docket No. 2018-318-E - Application of Duke Energy Progress, LLC for Adjustments in Electric Rate Schedules and Tariffs and Request for an Accounting Order - <https://dms.psc.sc.gov/Web/Dockets/Detail/116871>

Docket No. 2018-319-E - Application of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC for Adjustments in Electric Rate Schedules and Tariffs and Request for an Accounting Order - <https://dms.psc.sc.gov/Web/Dockets/Detail/116872>

If we may be of further assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

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From: CF
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 11:16 AM
To: PSC_Contact <Contact@psc.sc.gov>
Subject: Duke Energy Proposed Rate Increase

Dear Commissioners,

The notice of Public hearings states that Duke's proposed rate changes would increase their annual revenues by \$168 million and that reduced federal tax rates are saving them \$46 million. In other words, if they get what they are requesting they will have an increase in cash of in excess of \$200 million over their situation in 2017 (before the reduction in federal tax rates). Yet, the notice states that they plan \$16 million in increased grid investment in 2020. What are the other investments justifying such a large rate increase?

Secondly, Duke also states that a typical customer will see an increase of about \$15.57/month. Yet they are requesting an increase in the facilities charge of \$19.71 (from \$8.29 to \$28.00). These 2 facts seem inconsistent.

In short, please resist this excessive request.

Thanks for reading this,

Chris Dux